

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A light converging optical system for use in an optical pickup apparatus which conducts reproducing and/or recording information for a first optical information recording medium and a second optical information recording medium using light fluxes emitted by a first light source and a second light source respectively, includes an objective optical element being a single lens; a first optical element being a single lens; and a phase difference giving structure formed on at least one optical surface of optical surfaces of the objective optical element and the first optical element and for giving a phase difference, the phase difference giving structure having a chromatic aberration correcting function for correcting a chromatic aberration in such a way that when the wavelength of a light flux emitted from the first light source varies, the phase difference giving structure corrects a varied aberration quantity before and after the wavelength variation.